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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: BENC, IV

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: IVORY COAST/U.S./FRANCE CONFLICT
- REGARDING AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR MAJOR SWITCHING
- OFFICE

REF: (A) ABIDJAN 0425; (B) STATE 00680; (C) STATE 004900;
- (D) ABIDJAN 11687; (E) ABIDJAN 11744

1. NORTH HAS HEARD THAT GOIC INTENDS TO SIGN SWITCHING CONTRACT WITH FRENCH IN 3 OR 4 DAYS AND THAT FRENCH
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GOVERNMENT WILL PROVIDE FINANCING.

2. ON RELATED QUESTION OF TENDERS ISSUED BY GOIC ON OTHER PHASES OF PROJECT (REFS C, D, AND E) U.S. ALTERNATE DIRECTOR AT IBRD BROUGHT ISSUANCE OF TENDERS TO ATTENTION OF IBRD. IBRD, WHICH HAD BEEN UNAWARE OF GOIC ACTION, NOTIFIED GOIC OF BANK'S CONCERN ON TWO COUNTS: FIRST, THAT

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TENDERS VIOLATED UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN BANK AND GOIC (REF B) WHICH INDICATED THAT BANK FUNDING OF REST OF PROJECT WOULD BE CONTINGENT ON SETTLEMENT OF SWITCHING CONTRACT; AND SECOND, THAT DEADLINES WERE TOO SHORT TO CONFORM TO IBRD GUIDELINES. IN RESPONSE TO IBRD APPROACH,

GOIC EXTENDED BID DEADLINES TO MID-APRIL AND PROMISED TO PROVIDE IBRD WITH A SUBMISSION THIS WEEK ON WHAT IT PLANS TO DO ABOUT SWITCHING CONTRACT. WILL KEEP YOU INFORMED ON WHAT IBRD REPORTS.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ABIDJAN CAN OBTAIN TO VERIFY LATEST FINANCING RUMOR. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER INFORMATION YOU HAVE ON QUESTIONS PARA 2 REF C, PARTICULARLY A AND B WHICH NOT COVERED THIS MESSAGE.
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